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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98, Applicant respectfully requests that a citation and examination of the references identified on the attached PTO/SB/08 form be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States Patent.

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The attached PTO/SB/08 form lists related art references for the above identified application. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2)(ii), no copies of the U.S. patent documents are being supplied herewith, but will be provided upon request.

**EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE**

References AA-AC were cited during the prosecution of a corresponding

European application. Reference AA is in English, so no further commentary on its teaching is required. Reference AB is a German-language PCT publication. Reference AD is a U.S. patent publication corresponding to reference AB. Reference AC is a German-language European patent document, for which a Derwent English-language abstract has been provided. A full translation of this reference will be produced at the request of the Examiner.

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